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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 19, 1998 OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR A ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued August 18, 1998 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the August 18, 1998 Office Action was due November 19, 1998. Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time for filing a response to the August 18, 1998 Office Action. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the one month extension of time fee. Accordingly, a response is now due December 19, 1998. However, because November 19, 1998 falls on a Saturday, a response submitted on the next business day, namely Monday, December 21, 1998, is to be considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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